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OCTOBER 2011 NEWSLETTER



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DON WALTERS

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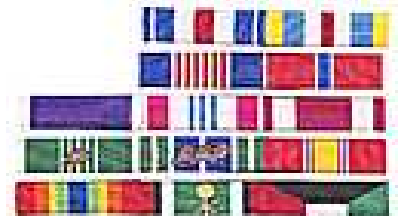
PAST COMMANDER

JOSHUA CLEMENT

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The medal we are made of.

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Adjutant/Finance Officer	Mervin Gunderson
Sgt. at Arms	Maurice Volkman
Service Officer	Bill Payton
Chaplain	Brian Daum
Historian	Don Walters
Public Relations Officer	Paul Reilman
Past Commander	Joshua Clement

CLUB 30 MANAGER'S CORNER

Beer Specials Daily
 Happy Hour Daily – 9 am to 11 am and 5 pm to 7 pm)
 Free coffee and Popcorn
 Freshly Made Sandwiches Every Day
 Homemade Soup is now on the lunch menu
 (Stop by to enjoy Jerry's soup with your lunch)

Boxers Club 30

At Club 30, FOOTBALL SEASON!!! Sundays and Mondays are game nights. Go by and watch. Stop by to wet your whistle for a couple hours with those that stop by for their favorite libation and some time enjoying friends.

Soup is back on the schedule for lunch.
 OHHHH.....they're good



M. V. A. D. ASSISTANCE

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CLUB CORNER

Jerry and the girls have been doing a wonderful job at Club 30. The \$10.00/5 Beer Buckets are back. And here's a new thing. JELLO SHOTS. That's right boys and girls, you can have your desert and drink with it. Or if you prefer, drink your desert. \$1.50 a bar. Stop in and enjoy. Wednesday Night has become special for you ladies. It is Ladies Night Out. Ok girls, go out and live it up. New beers on tap. Samuel Adams Noble Pils, Pabst Blue Ribbon.



Well, we've made it through another Fall Festival. For our part, it all went smoothly. We were well represented. I'd like to thank the members of the Color Guard for stepping up and doing a wonderful job: Dave Lyons Jim Prescott, Don Walters, Mo Volkman, Merv Gunderson and Roger Durham.

Also, a huge thanks goes out to the Antique Military Vehicle Club for bringing their trucks and jeeps for us to enjoy. It was an extra joy to see our own members, Captain Stan Milesnick as the Grand Marshall, driven by Col. Hank Adams. He looked great in his uniform. His uniform was purchased for him before he received his Distinguished Service Cross last month by the Antique Military Club. Senior Chief Bill Payton wore his LAPD uniform from 20 yrs. ago and rode in a deuce and a half along with Bruce Taylor and Commander McMillon, driven by Rich Morris. Along with us, the American Legion Bandits baseball team had a float right behind the last truck. The Legion Riders enjoyed themselves too.

I personally want to say a huge thanks to everyone who came. Look forward to next years' parade.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

**I missed posting our new members list last month.
 We want to welcome them to our post family.**

Gary France, Boyd Coster, Robert Evans, Rob Swanekamp
 Robert Malmberg, Jason Krizov, James Matter, Casey Kegel
 Steve Brown, Mark O'Malley, John S. Milesnick,
 Sean Thornton, Cody Criner, James Bailly, Tom Vandbeck
 Ted Campbell, Kathryn Taylor, Eick Bailly, Tom Cheatt,
 Ben Jones



THE MEDAL OF HONOR

I NEVER GET TIRED OF READING SOME OF THE RECIPIENTS OF THIS MEDAL.

CARTER, JOSEPH F.

Rank and organization: Captain, Company D, 3 RD Maryland Infantry. Place and date: At Fort Stedman, Virginia, 25 March 1865. Entered service at: Baltimore, Maryland. Birth: Baltimore, Maryland. Date of issue: 9 July 1891.

Citation:

Captured the colors of the 51st Virginia Infantry (C.S.A.). During the battle he was captured and escaped bringing a number of prisoners with him.

**CARTER, JOSEPH
CAPT BREVET MAJOR D 3RD MD VET VOLS
DATE OF DEATH: 04/10/1922
BURIED AT: SECTION 3 SITE LOT 1550
ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY**

**CARTER, MARY D/O JOSEPH F
BURIED AT: SECTION 3 SITE 1550
ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY**



Medal of Honor, Boxer Rebellion. AKA: Francis Ryan, Francis Thomas Ryan (MoH citation lists this name), Francis J. Lane. True name Frank Gallagher. April 6, 1862-June 14, 1927. Died: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Buried in Section 17, Grave 21008, Arlington National Cemetery.

GALLAGHER, FRANK

SC1 US NAVY

SPANISH AMERICAN WAR

DATE OF BIRTH: 04/06/1862

DATE OF DEATH: 06/14/1927

BURIED AT: SECTION 17 SITE 21008

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RYAN, FRANCIS T.

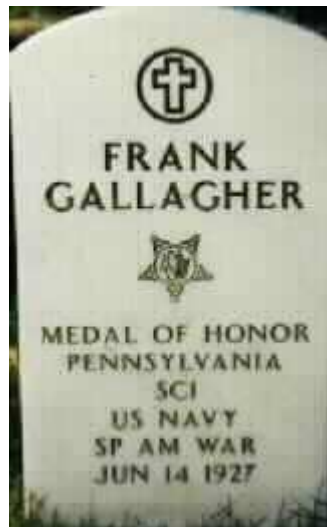
Rank and organization: Coxswain, U.S. Navy. Born: 6 April 1868, Massachusetts.

Accredited to: Massachusetts. G.O. No.: 55, 19 July 1901.

Citation:

In action with the relief expedition of the Allied forces in China during the battles of 13, 20, 21 and 22

June 1900. Throughout this period and in the presence of the enemy, Ryan distinguished himself by meritorious conduct.



Rank and organization: Private, U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, 2d Battalion, 26th Marines, 5th Marine Division. Place and date: Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 14 March 1945. Entered service at: New Jersey. Born: 6 November 1924, Glen Ridge, New Jersey.

Private First Class Franklin Earl Sigler won the Medal of Honor during the Iwo Jima campaign in a one-man assault on a Japanese gun position which had been holding up the advance of his company for several days, and for annihilating the enemy gun crew with hand grenades. Although painfully wounded during his attack, he directed the fire of his squad and personally carried three of his buddies who were wounded to safety behind the lines.

The nation's highest military decoration was presented to Private First Class Sigler during ceremonies at the White House. President Truman awarded the medal to him on Friday, October 5, 1945.

Franklin Earl Sigler was born at Montclair, New Jersey, November 6, 1924, the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Sigler. They later moved to Little Falls, New Jersey, where he attended Little Falls High School prior to his enlistment in the Marine Corps on March 23, 1943.

Completing his recruit training at Parris Island, South Carolina, Private First Class Sigler was next transferred to the Guard Company, Marine Barracks, Navy Yard, Charleston, South Carolina, in June, 1943.

In April, 1944 he joined Company F, 2d Battalion, 26th Marines, 5th Marine Division, and in July he embarked aboard the USS Clay for Hilo, Hawaii. Later, he sailed for Iwo Jima where he won the Medal of Honor on March 14, 1945.

Private First Class Sigler, then a private, took command of his squad when his squad leader became a casualty and unhesitatingly lead them in a bold rush against an enemy gun position that had been holding up the advance of his company for several days.

Reaching the gun position first, he personally annihilated the gun crew with grenades. When more enemy troops began firing from tunnels and caves leading to the gun position, he, without consideration for his own safety, successfully scaled the rocks leading up to the position and alone assaulted the Japanese completely surprising them.

Although painfully wounded in this one-man assault, he refused to be evacuated, and crawling back to his squad, directed machine gun fire and rocket fire on the cave entrances. In the ensuing fight three of his men were wounded and Private First Class Sigler, disregarding the pain from his wound and the heavy enemy fire, carried them to safety behind the lines. Returning to his squad he remained with his men directing their fire until ordered to retire and seek medical aid.

Hospitalized in the U.S. Naval Hospital, Bethesda, Maryland, he was discharged with the rank of private first class in June, 1946 because of disability resulting from his wounds. PFC Sigler died January 20, 1995.

In addition to the Medal of Honor, Private First Class Sigler was awarded the American Campaign Medal; Good Conduct Medal; Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal; Purple Heart, and the World War II Victory Medal.



OCTOBER 2011

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

						<p>1</p>  <p>Homecoming SACRAMENTO ST.</p>
<p>2</p> 	<p>3</p> 	4	5	6	7	<p>8</p>  <p>@ PORTLAND ST.</p>
<p>9</p> <p>District 7 Meeting Bozeman Post 14 Sign up starts at 9 AM</p> 	<p>10</p>  <p>Columbus Day</p>	11	12	<p>13</p> <p>Exec. Com. Mtg. Post 30/ Unit 30</p> <p>Post 30 Meeting 7:00 PM Readiness Center</p> <p>Legion Riders Meeting-Following meeting</p>  <p>Navy Birthday 1775</p>	14	<p>15</p>  <p>N. ARIZONA</p>
<p>16</p> 	<p>17</p> 	18	19	20	21	<p>22</p>  <p>N. Colorado</p>
<p>23</p> 	<p>24</p> 	25	26	27	28	<p>29</p>  <p>H Idaho ST.</p>
<p>31</p>  <p>Halloween</p> 						